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A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE JEFFERSON MEDICAL COLLEGE

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OUR DEAN

The Board of Trustees of Jefferson Medical College have received and accepted with great regret the resignation of William Harvey Perkins, M.D., Sc.D., LL.D., as Dean of the College.

Dr. Perkins, in his recent letter to President Kauffman and to the Board, stated:

"It is with deepest regret that I feel impelled to ask you to transmit to the Board of Trustees my resignation from the position as Dean.

"This is prompted by two considerations: First, it is becoming more apparent that my health over the past year has been of such nature that I can give no assurance, even with early recovery, that I can undertake the heavy responsibilities of my office.

"Secondly, you and the Board of Trustees have been placed in the embarrassing position of having to operate and forward the interests of our great College, without the services of a Dean to shoulder so much of the burden that is his primary responsibility. The exigencies of the moment, and the many important actions to be taken now and in the near future, make me conclude that my resignation should be at your earliest convenience.

"I feel confident that I can continue to carry the duties of my other position as Professor and Head of the Department of Preventive Medicine."

In accepting Dr. Perkins' resignation as Dean, the Board of Trustees recorded in its minutes of November 6, 1950 the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, William Harvey Perkins, M.D., who has served this corporation well and faithfully as Dean of The Jefferson Medical College for more than nine years, has tendered his resignation as Dean of the College because of the condition of his health, and his resignation has been accepted by the Board of Trustees of this corporation with deep regret;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Trustees of The Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia hereby express of record their

sincere appreciation of the loyal and faithful services rendered to this corporation by Dean Perkins, under whose guidance The Jefferson Medical College has advanced to its present high standing as one of the foremost medical schools in this country, and their hope that Dean Perkins will soon be restored to full health so that he may continue his association with The Jefferson Medical College in the capacity of Professor of Preventive Medicine for many years; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of this preamble and resolutions to Dean Perkins to evidence the high esteem in which he is held by the Trustees of the Jefferson Medical College.

THE JEFFERSON MEDICAL COLLEGE
1025 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA 7, PA.

November 30, 1950

Dear Fellow Alumni:

As soon as my health permits, I want to express more adequately my appreciation of all the co-operation, friendship, and support of the work of Jefferson that you have shown in such generous measure during my years as Dean. In the meantime, this is a short message to let you know that I expect really to enjoy putting my efforts into one department of this great College.

The opportunity given me through my official capacity during these years for making so many good friends among you will be a lasting source of satisfaction and pleasure. I feel confident that the loyalty and friendship you have shown me will be given my successor.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,



GEORGE ALLEN BENNETT, A.B., M.D., Dean
Professor of Anatomy, Head of the Department and
Director of the Daniel Baugh Institute of Anatomy

The Board of Trustees also have announced the selection and appointment of George Allen Bennett, A.B., M.D., as Dean. Dr. Bennett, who has been attached to the teaching staff of Jefferson for the past eleven years, has been Professor of Anatomy, Head of the Department and Director of the Daniel Baugh Institute of Anatomy since

June, 1948, when he succeeded Dr. J. Parsons Schaeffer in that position. Dean Bennett will continue to hold the position as Head of the Anatomy Department.

Dr. Bennett, the son of C. C. Bennett, retired railroad official, and the late Alice Bennett, was born August 31,

1904, at Water Valley, Mississippi. Following his early education in the local schools there began an unusual adventure in advanced studies marked by high scholarship.

Entering Wabash College at Crawfordsville, Indiana under a scholarship at a youthful age, Dr. Bennett was graduated, an honor student with Phi Beta Kappa award, at the age of eighteen in 1923. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta and other fraternal and academic societies.

The Ben Hur Scholarship, allotted from the estate of the late Lew Wallace and the Ben Hur Fraternity Order, enabled Dr. Bennett in May, 1923, to enter the University of Athens, Greece, for the study of archæology and ancient history. This work was continued at the University of Zurich, Switzerland, until November of that year.

The following five years Dr. Bennett spent at the University of Munich where he studied philosophy and medicine. He qualified in Medicine in 1928.

In July, 1928, Dr. Bennett became assistant in Histology at Baylor Medical School, Dallas, Texas, but in September of that year entered Harvard University as a teaching fellow in Anatomy. His work in Anatomy was furthered by post-graduate study at the University of Munich from February to July, 1929.

Returning to the United States he took charge of the summer course at the Harvard Medical School and continued teaching there until July, 1930 when he was appointed Professor of Histology and Embryology at Georgetown Medical School. Two years later he was appointed Professor of Anatomy and Acting Head of the Department of Anatomy at Georgetown and in 1934 became Head of this department.

In October of 1934, having secured a fourteen-month residency in dermatology, he returned to the University of Munich and studied with Von Zumbusch. Still remaining

in Munich, Dr. Bennett became Assistant in Anatomy and Surgery from December, 1935, until May, 1937. His surgical experience at this time was chiefly in thoracic surgery. During the year 1937 he was awarded his M.D. degree Summa Cum Laude on the basis of experimental studies on the tongue in various animals. This achievement was followed by post-graduate study in anthropology, chemistry and pathology also at Munich until 1939. He was appointed to the Anatomy Department faculty at Jefferson that year.

Maintaining an active interest in the clinical field, Dr. Bennett has written widely in psychological and medical lines. He is a member of the American Association of Anatomists, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Phi Beta Pi national medical fraternity, the Philadelphia County Medical Society, is Consultant of the Valley Forge Hospital and Consultant to the Naval Hospital, Philadelphia. During the past war he had charge of all the naval officers in the surgical service of the local Naval Hospital in the teaching of applied anatomy and operative surgery. He has served in recent years as guest examiner of the American Board of Surgery and has been one of the examiners for the National Boards, Part II, on Applied Anatomy and Operative Surgery. For the past two years he has served as a member of Jefferson's Admissions Committee and is at present chairman of this committee. He is the recipient of several scientific awards and in 1948, jointly with Dr. Anthony F. DePalma and Dr. Gerald E. Callery, received the Gold Medal Award of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons for research work on the shoulder joint.

In spite of his scholastic schedule, the new Dean has found vigorous recreation in golf, squash, tennis and badminton. He is a member of the Philadelphia Cricket Club and the Philadelphia Country Club. With his wife, Mary Hennen Bennett, and their two small sons he has his home in suburban Penn Valley.



Left to right: Back Row—Doctors ANTONIO MARTINEZ, ALBERT MERLIN, SIDNEY RADBILL, ALVIN W. HOWLAND, DAVID NAIDOFF, MILTON FREIWALD, JOSEPH WALDMAN.
Left to right: Front Row—DR. JAMES S. SHIPMAN, DR. ARNO E. TOWN, Professor of Ophthalmology and Head of the Department, and DR. SIDNEY L. OLSHO.

DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

While Jefferson holds the distinction of having established the first department of ophthalmology at a medical college, for many years the specialty was considered a necessary evil and hence assumed a position of relative unimportance in the curriculum and activities of the College. This state of affairs was not limited to Jefferson, but in fact was rather universal among the institutions of learning in the field of medicine. The founding of our Department of Ophthalmology is credited to Dr. Richard J. Levis, an outstanding ophthalmic surgeon who was appointed Clinical Lecturer in Ophthalmic and Aural Surgery in 1867. The early years were difficult ones and efforts to secure the professional standing to which the pioneer leaders considered ophthalmology entitled were at first scarcely appreciated, for ophthalmic surgery was considered but a branch of general surgery and in no way entitled to special favors. The brilliant teaching of Professor William Thomson who succeeded Professor Levis did much to win well-earned recognition, and in 1873 he was

able to establish a daily clinic for the treatment of diseases of the eye as distinct from other clinics. Succeeding Professors have been Dr. George Edmund de Schweinitz, recognized as the Dean of Ophthalmology and famous the world over as one of the greatest contributors of his time; Dr. William M. Sweet who is perhaps best known for his pioneer work in accurately diagnosing and localizing intraocular foreign bodies; and Dr. Charles E. G. Shannon, our Emeritus Professor of Ophthalmology. Each of these distinguished men, with the exception of Dr. de Schweinitz, was graduated from Jefferson; each has contributed much to the stature of ophthalmology as a specialty, not only at Jefferson Medical College, but also among the medical profession as a whole.

The passage of time has brought great strides in ophthalmology, just as in every other branch of medicine, and with them has come an increasing awareness that the ophthalmoscope is as valuable to the general physician as



Left to right: DR. ANTONIO MARTINEZ, MISS DONNA DAWSON, DR. ARNO E. TOWN and DR. GEORGE TIBBENS.

is the stethoscope, that the preservation of sight ranks close in importance to the preservation of life. Dean Perkins, for instance, in his convocation address in 1949 used ophthalmology as the example of the minor specialty which should be taught thoroughly in the medical school rather than to be relegated to the specialized hospital, so that the eye may be understood and treated as an integral part of the body. With this change in attitude, therefore, the task of building a new, modern Department of Ophthalmology on an old foundation has been our challenge at Jefferson—a program to which both Dean Perkins and his successor, Dean Bennett have dedicated their unreserved support.

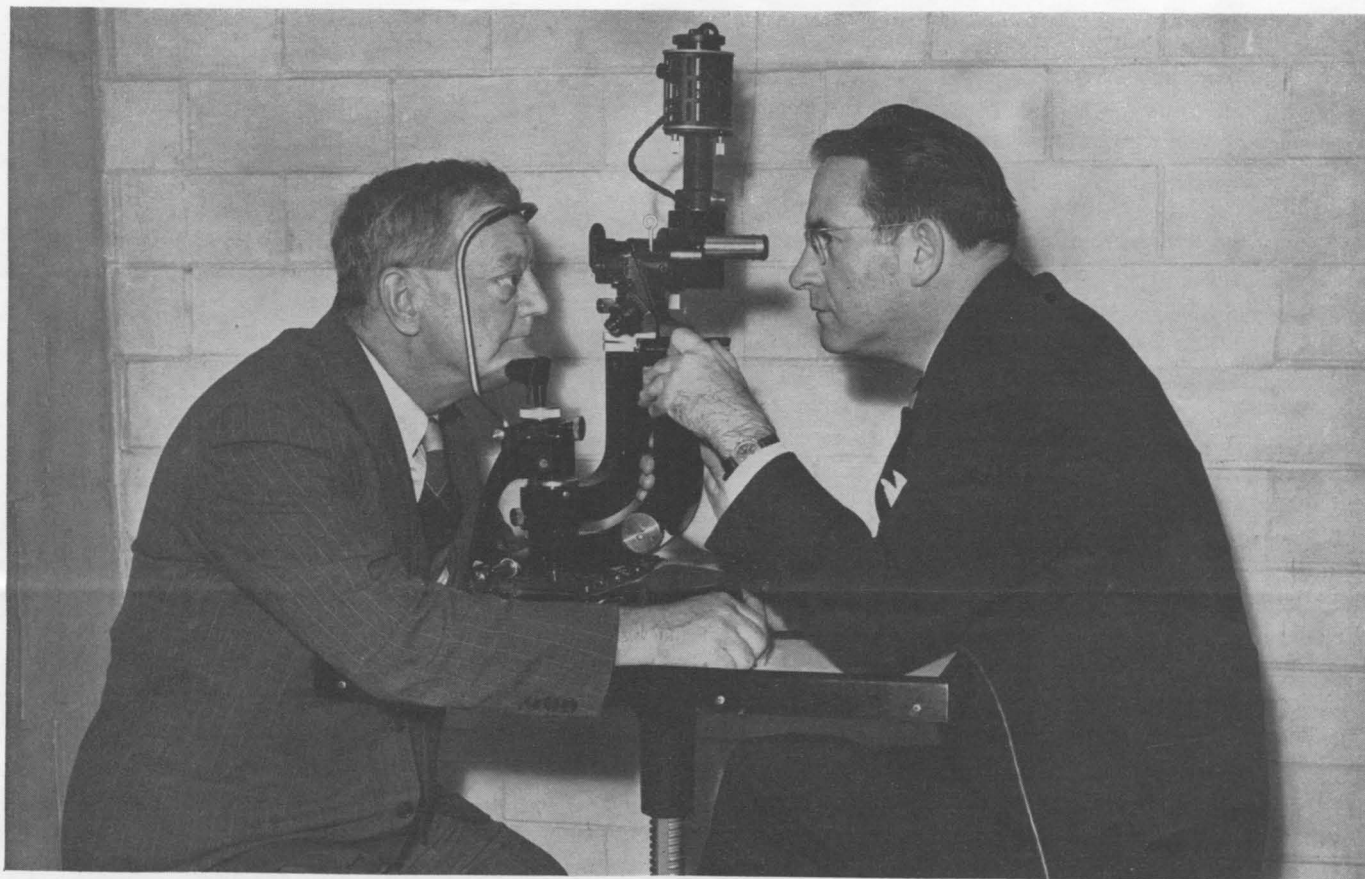
Personnel

In active participation in the departmental teaching are Professor Arno Town, Associate Professors James Shipman and Joseph Waldman, Assistant Professors William Hunt and Carroll Mullen, Associates David Naidoff and Sidney Radbill, and Instructors Lewis Bacon, Alvin Howland, Milton Freiwald and Edwin Shepherd. We are handicapped by the fact that we have no paid instructors, yet this handicap is offset by the unstinting and wholehearted

cooperation of the Staff in the teaching of the medical students. In addition, an active part is taken by members of the Staff in the instructional programs of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, the State and County Medical Societies and the Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology.

Two residents, Drs. Antonio Martinez and George Tibbens will soon complete three years of training. A third resident, Dr. John Erbaugh has been called to military service. These men are given a thorough clinical training in the recognition and treatment of eye diseases, and in the techniques of refraction and eye surgery. On the basis of present accomplishments, it is not idle boasting to say that in another few years our newly-instigated, A.M.A. approved residency program will be the equal of any to be obtained anywhere in the country.

A nurse, Miss Donna Dawson who is specially trained in all types of eye surgery now gives her full time to the Department. In addition to supervising the operating room and assisting with surgery, her services in the Eye Clinic are a valuable aid in the handling of patients.



DR. ARNO E. TOWN examining a patient.

Mrs. Mary McGovern is in charge of the Out-Patient Clinic, and is assisted by the registrar, Mr. James Lavelle and a social service worker, Miss Elvira Jensen. On hand in the Clinic three days a week is Mr. Walter Stinsman, dispensing optician for Bonschur & Holmes.

Teaching

Throughout the first semester, one hour a week is devoted by Professor Town or another member of the Staff to discussion of the eye, methods of treatment and operation, and exhibition of patients illustrating ocular injuries and diseases. Also during this period audio-visual techniques are extensively used, so that every student is acquainted by motion picture with the principal operative procedures, principles of refraction, action of the extra-ocular muscles and various other subjects which have been assembled in a library of films. Two lectures of one hour each concerning the relationship of the eye to the nervous system are given by Professor Waldman who is a leading authority on Neuro-ophthalmology. All of this instruction is given to the entire Senior Class.

The sectional instruction is in charge of Professor Waldman and Doctor Radbill. Each section receives two hours a week for five weeks, wherein each student is instructed in the use of the ophthalmoscope and other instruments employed in examination of the eye, and is taught the importance of the relationship of the eye to general medicine.

First and foremost is kept in mind that Jefferson Medical College is a teaching institution and that our primarily essential job is to impart a knowledge of the eye to the medical students. Although ophthalmology is still considered a minor specialty at Jefferson and very few hours in the curriculum are allotted to us, we do our utmost in the time we have to teach an awareness of the value of sight and how to prevent blindness by the early recognition and treatment of blinding diseases. Likewise in all our teaching is stressed the great diagnostic and prognostic value of the eye to the general physician who has learned to interpret what he sees there. Obviously, our didactic teaching alone is not enough, but must be supplemented by actual observation in the clinics and wards in order for the student to learn these abilities.

The Clinic

The fine medical and neurological services at Jefferson place at our disposal a wealth of material for the teaching of students and residents. However, one of the major problems in the Department of Ophthalmology was and is to build up a service sufficiently attractive to bring about an increase in the attendance of eye-clinic cases. The backbone of an eye clinic is the refraction service, which in our Clinic is offered five afternoons a week by a paid refractionist, members of the Staff and the residents. Growth in clinic attendance has brought up the number of refractions per month to an average of about 170 at the present time. Our clinic patients now are assured that they receive the best quality frames and lenses at the lowest possible cost, through a system of yearly rotation among local Guild opticians who dispense eyeglasses at the Clinic at a minimum of profit. New drugs and new methods employed in the treatment of ocular diseases in the past few years by their beneficial results have helped eye services everywhere to engender confidence. These factors and others are contributing to a gradual realization of our aim of increased attendance in the Clinic, and while the progress has been slow it is also steady and gratifying. The ward which in the past was designated an eye ward is now an eye ward in reality, in that the beds are kept filled with eye patients. One need now is for additional ward beds.

Surgery

The Department has been very fortunate in having the cooperation of the Medical Director and the Board of Trustees in allocating space for an eye operating room for the exclusive use of the eye service. It is obvious that this is a great step forward when it is realized that in previous times it was necessary to perform eye surgery of such delicate nature as cataract extraction immediately following gross and infective surgery. Risks of contamination now are reduced to a minimum, and in that connection an interesting feature is the installation of ultra-violet lamps for the elimination of air-borne infections. Lighting, operating table and sterilizers are of the most advanced design.

The acquisition of a nurse specially trained in ophthalmic surgery has been of inestimable value to the service in speeding up performance of the various operative procedures, which is of especial importance in eye surgery and complements the skill of the surgeon in affecting a satisfactory end result.

We are also fortunate in having bed space adjoining the operating room made available for retinal detachment cases, to avoid any postoperative trauma resulting from jolting to which the patient is subjected in being moved long distances.

Affiliation with the Eye Bank for Sight Restoration is a great aid to us in handling patients who require corneal transplants.

In short, all possible steps have been taken to eliminate unnecessary hazards and enable us to offer a service equipped to do all types of eye surgery.

Research

Within the last decade there has developed at Jefferson an ever-expanding scientific research program. The Eye Department is participating in this program both in the clinical and in the basic sciences. The fact that there is no budget for research represents a considerable handicap, but members of the Department nonetheless are producing worthwhile investigative work in collaboration with other departments.

In the Toxicology Department, Dr. Brieger has ingeniously been exposing animals to fumes of chemicals, either used or part of waste products in industry. Toxic effects on the eyes have been produced, both superficially and deep. These lesions are being studied and described by the Ophthalmology Department.

Through the cooperation of Dr. Town, Dr. Wagman of the Physiology Department has been able to build a special optical bench and electronic shutter. With this apparatus action potentials of different parts of the retina which are stimulated, can be measured. The practical application of these studies is as yet unknown; however, the acquisition of this instrument has opened comparatively new fields for investigation.

Dr. Pincus, Department of Physiology, is engaged in a research problem which is of tremendous interest to ophthalmology, and members of the Department are collaborating with him: the development of diabetes in rabbits by injecting them with alloxan. A number of these diabetic rabbits have developed cataracts which resemble the so-called typical diabetic cataract in man. Clinical, biochemical and histologic studies of these lenses are being done. Studies of the vascular changes in the eye incident to diabetes are contemplated. Dr. Pincus also is attempting to develop arteriosclerosis in the rabbits by the administration of cholesterol. Comparison of the vascular changes in the eyes of diabetic rabbits and of those in the eyes of the arteriosclerotic rabbits are to be done.

In collaboration with Dr. Rakoff of the Department of Endocrinology an interesting and, it is hoped, informative study of the relationship of endocrine dysfunction to the formation of cataract is being made. Modes of therapy are being investigated in cataracts which it is felt may be due to certain types of endocrine hypofunction.

The Eye Staff, with the aid of Dr. Tocantins of the Department of Hematology, investigated and perfected a technique for the use of human blood plasma and bovine thrombin to produce fibrin coagulum for wound closure in ocular surgery. This has brought international interest following presentation at the American Academy of Oph-



Left to right: Miss ELVIRA JENSEN, Miss DONNA DAWSON, Mrs. MARY MCGOVERN, Mr. JAMES LAVELLE, Mr. WALTER STINSMAN, Miss ARLEAN MILLER, Miss JENNIE KUTZ.

thalmology and Otolaryngology and publication in a national ophthalmological journal. The work was aided by Sharp & Dohme who have made available dried human blood plasma and the proper diluent in small vials for ophthalmic surgery.

The original clinical investigation of the use of terramycin in ocular infections was carried on at Jefferson, and the report will soon be published.

Present studies being carried on include the effect of ACTH and cortisone in the treatment of ocular infections, and the use of fibrin coagulum in the healing of corneal lesions.

Future Plans

We of the Department of Ophthalmology are proud of the forward steps which have been made, but they represent only a beginning in the over-all scheme of modernization.

A reading clinic which would work in close cooperation with the Departments of Pediatrics and Psychiatry is sorely

needed and should be a part of the general hospital program, not only for the public at large but also for those students who have reading difficulties.

An orthoptic clinic is invaluable for the training of cross-eyed children, and while some work in orthoptics is now done on a small scale our plan for the future includes a well-equipped and well-staffed orthoptic clinic where proper attention may be devoted to the problem of the cross-eyed child.

Additional equipment, as funds become available, will augment our teaching and the handling of patients in the Clinic; from the standpoint of teaching, perhaps the item of most immediate need is a fundus camera.

A number of worthwhile research projects must be held in abeyance pending receipt of funds to finance them, and we are hopeful that requests made to the National Research Council for grants-in-aid will enable us to consummate these projects.

The Department is very grateful to the alumni who have given their whole-hearted support. Dr. L. P. Glover, class of '26, has donated a special camera for photographing

external conditions of the eye, thereby enabling us to assemble a fine collection of photographs of great value in our teaching. Others, including Drs. Lewis Bacon, '24, Walter Bacon, '16, Bruce Grove, '26, James Monahan, '16, Warren Phillips, '34, Charles Rankin, '26, and George Ricchiuti, '32, have supplied us with valuable clinical and research material.

With the continued support of the alumni and those who guide the destinies of the College, we of the Department know that our efforts will one day bring to fruition our vision of a Department of Ophthalmology holding its rightful place in the leading diagnostic and rehabilitation center that is The Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Fellow Alumni:

This Bulletin represents the fifth issue in 1950. It signifies that the Executive Committee of the Alumni organization is particularly anxious that each Alumnus be kept informed on current events of the College.

I am more than happy and grateful for the opportunity to greet you once more this year. It seems fitting and proper to wish you a Merry Christmas and a most happy and successful New Year since you will be receiving the Bulletin before the Holidays.

We are regretfully sorry to report the resignation of Dr. Perkins as Dean. He continues as Professor and Head of the Department of Preventive Medicine. The Alumni desire to extend to Dr. Perkins their cordial greetings and best wishes. He has served the College and his Alma Mater as Dean with great distinction. Dr. Perkins has not been in the best of health the past year and it is hoped by relinquishing the responsibilities of the Dean's Office he will make a speedier recovery. The Alumni Association shall always remember "Cy" Perkins as one of their outstanding alumni.

The new Dean, Dr. George A. Bennett, needs no introduction to a large segment of the Alumni. The other graduates obviously will not know him since he has only been with us for 11 years, except as they come in contact with him. Dr. Bennett as you all know is Professor and Head of the Department of Anatomy. He is particularly well adapted to the Deanship. He is a popular member of the Faculty and has always been intensely interested in the welfare of the student. The Alumni wish to extend to Dean Bennett their loyal and sympathetic support. Dr. Bennett brings to his new position a well-rounded viewpoint, both clinical and scientific. I do not hesitate to say in my report to you that Dr. Bennett will, I am sure, be happy to greet you on your next visit to the College.

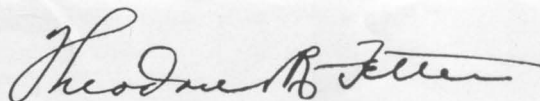
If you have not already done so, enroll in the Third Post-Graduate Instruction Courses. The Committee has arranged an interesting program and it should prove of

definite value to assist you in your daily problems. It was decided to hold the Annual Business Meeting of the Alumni Association in conjunction with this session. Please arrange your time so that you will not forget to place this meeting on your calendar.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your splendid support of the Annual Giving Drive during my term of office? The Board of Trustees, the Faculty and all members of the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association join me in hearty appreciation. As you know, your splendid contributions have been used entirely for the needs of the College and I know that you will continue to give your interest and much needed support.

I hope that this Christmas will be a happy one for you and yours, and that the New Year will bring you all the good things that you desire.

Sincerely yours,



President

JEFFERSON ARMY HOSPITAL UNIT HAS OPENING FOR ENLISTED CADRE

The 38th General Hospital, U. S. Army Reserve, affiliated with The Jefferson Medical College, has openings for 32 enlisted men or women. The 38th General Hospital Unit is one of the oldest affiliated Units, having had the same designation in World War I and World War II. At present it is the only affiliated general hospital unit in Philadelphia.

Both men and women with or without prior military service are eligible to become members of the Unit, which meets from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on the first 4 Tuesdays of each month at the College, for the purpose of reserve training. Members of the Unit receive a day's Army pay for attending each of 2 of the 4 meetings. Uniforms are required and in the case of enlisted personnel are supplied by the Army. There are vacancies for administrative, laboratory technicians and supply personnel, including stenographers and clerk-typists.

All young men who have registered under the Selective Service Act and who have not been called for a physical examination are eligible for enlistment in this Unit. It is emphasized that enlisted personnel assigned to the Unit will not be subject to call to active duty except in the event that the Unit is mobilized.

Persons interested in joining the 38th General Hospital may obtain full information by contacting Major John B. Kegerreis, Senior Instructor of Reserve Medical Units at Schuylkill Arsenal, 2620 Grays Ferry Avenue, Philadelphia 46, Pa., or by telephoning HOward 2-8780, Ext. 5.

C. Wilmer Wirts, M.D.

JEFFERSON ALUMNI HOLD TOP POSITIONS IN THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY

Since most of the doctors in New Jersey live in the congested northeast corner of the state, right in the shadow of New York, you would expect that alumni of the great medical schools of that metropolis would be in the forefront of New Jersey medicine, and many of them are. However, more of the top command of The Medical Society of New Jersey come from Jefferson than from any other medical school. The President of that society, Aldrich C. Crowe, is a Jefferson graduate of 1921. The second Vice-President, Henry B. Decker is both a Jefferson alumnus of 1920, and a Jefferson professor. The state medical journal is edited by a Jefferson graduate, Henry A. Davidson, '28. The chairman of the society's board of trustees is David B. Allman, Jefferson, '14. Three other trustees, William C. Wilentz, '23, L. Samuel Sica, '09; and J. Lawrence Evans, '10 also claim Jefferson as their alma mater. Of the society's six delegates to the A.M.A., exactly half are Jefferson graduates. They are: J. Wallace Hurff, '13; L. Samuel Sica, '09; and David B. Allman, '14, and no less than nine committee chairmen are sons of old Jefferson: J. Lawrence Evans, Jr., '37; Henry B. Decker, '20; David B. Allman, '14; Lewis C. Fritts, '30; William W. Hersohn, '33; Samuel Blaugrund, '15; Harrison F. English, '38; and Elmer J. Elias, '28. The Society's Judicial Councillor No. 1 is Francis C. Weber, Jefferson, '17. Can any state medical society beat that record of Jefferson alumni in its official roll-call? New Jersey has the oldest medical society in the western hemisphere. And also, we think, the most vigorous. And now you see why.

HENRY A. DAVIDSON, '28

BRANCH CHAPTER AND OTHER MEETINGS

On Wednesday, October 18, 1950, the Alumni Association held a dinner and meeting in the Burgundy Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel at 6:30 P.M. in conjunction with the 100th session of the Medical Society of the State of Pennsylvania, October 15th to 19th. Dr. Theodore R. Fetter, President of the Alumni Association presided at the meeting, which was attended by 151.

Mr. Percival E. Foerderer, Chairman of the Board of Trustees greeted the Alumni, and Vice-Admiral James L. Kauffman, U.S.N.(Ret.) gave a short resumé of the happenings in and about the college. Admiral Kauffman's report was well received and there was an optimistic note among the alumni; they appeared to be better satisfied since they were receiving comprehensive and interesting details of the affairs of the college.

Dean Perkins was absent due to illness, and his many friends expressed the wish to be cordially remembered to him.

On October 26, 1950, a meeting and dinner of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter was held at the Greensburg Country Club, Greensburg, Pa., with 50 loyal Jefferson alumni attending. A clinical session was held in the afternoon with Doctors DePalma and Nelson as guest speakers.

Following the dinner at 7 P.M., the meeting was called to order by First Vice President Dr. John A. O'Donnell. A memorial service was held with Dr. William Shapera eulogizing Dr. Russell A. Garman of their group whose untimely death one month ago saddened everyone. Dr. Garman was Chairman of Arrangements for this meeting. Dr. A. J. Cerne, of Herminie, took over as Chairman of Arrangements.

Nominations and election of officers for 1950-51 were then held, and the following were elected:

President—Dr. Hubert J. Goodrich, '07, McKees Rocks

1st Vice President—Dr. Hugh E. Ralston, '20,
Uniontown

Secretary-Treasurer—Dr. Lester L. Bartlett, '29,
Pittsburgh

County Vice Presidents:

Allegheny—Dr. Oliver E. Turner, '36, Pittsburgh
Armstrong—Dr. Harry W. Allison, '11, Kittanning
Beaver—Dr. H. Dale Mowry, '26, Ambridge
Butler—Dr. Robert S. Lucas, '27, Butler
Fayette—Dr. David E. Lowe, '12, Uniontown
Greene—Dr. William B. Birch, '45, Carmichaels
Indiana—Dr. Thomas J. McNelis, '13, Indiana
Lawrence—Dr. Homer R. Allen, '32, New Castle
Washington—Dr. Roy S. Clark, '17, Washington
Westmoreland—Dr. A. J. Cerne, '48, Herminie

Dr. Ralston then invited the group to Uniontown in 1951.

Dr. Anthony DePalma, Professor of Orthopedic Surgery, talked to the Chapter about admissions, interne's curriculum and the distribution of funds from the Alumni Giving Fund.

Dr. Guy M. Nelson, Assistant Professor of Medicine, spoke about the Alumni Giving Fund.

Following the meeting, round table discussions were held.

On November 1, 1950, the Northern New Jersey Chapter held its Annual Fall Meeting and Dinner at the Essex Club, Newark, N. J. Dr. George A. Bennett and Dr. Sherman A. Eger represented the faculty from Jefferson. Dr. Frederick C. De Troia, Secretary-Treasurer of the Chapter, said that everyone enjoyed the fine informal talks about Jefferson given by Drs. Bennett and Eger. Thirty-eight members were present.

CLASS STANDINGS—Alumni Annual Giving Fund, June 10 to Nov. 30, 1950

Class	Class Agent /Associate	Agent's Residence	Living Class Members	Number Contributors	Percent Participation	Amount Contributions
1875	George C. Lippincott	Salem, N. J.	1	0		\$
1878	Edmund B. Montgomery	Quincy, Ill.	3	2	66.6	20.
1880	William H. Ziegler	Philadelphia	3	1	33.3	25.
1881	John McLean	Chicago, Ill.	2	0		
1882	John F. Mentzer	Ephrata, Pa.	5	2	40.	62.
1884	Fayette C. Ewing	Pineville, La.	4	1	25.	100.
1885	Joseph J. Stewart	Westminster, Md.	7	0		
1886	J. Elmer Porter	Pottstown, Pa.	7	0		
1887	Edwin E. Graham	Philadelphia	6	1	16.6	10.
1888	John L. Bower	Birdsboro, Pa.	7	2	28.6	35.
1889	S. Horace Scott	Coatesville, Pa.	10	2	20.	20.
1890	F. Kline Baker	Philadelphia	16	4	25.	12.
1891	John Gibbon	Media, Pa.	13	4	30.7	29.
1892	Joseph H. Cloud	Ardmore, Pa.	11	4	36.4	40.
1893	Wm. H. Bodensstab	Bismarck, N. D.	23	0		
1894	Frederick H. Mills	Upper Darby, Pa.	18	9	50.	40.
1895	George H. B. Terry	Asheville, N. C.	27			
1896	Maurice J. Karpeles	Philadelphia	37	3	8.1	25.
1897	Leighton F. Appleman	Philadelphia	34	9	26.5	110.
1898	George T. Tracy	Beverly, N. J.	11			
1899	F. Mortimer Cleveland	Philadelphia	21			
1900	D. Randall MacCarroll, S. E. Robinson	Philadelphia	29	1	3.4	10.
1901	Nathan P. Stauffer	Philadelphia	53	6	11.7	155.
1902	Thomas F. Duhigg	New York, N. Y.	54			
1903			52			
1904	Graydon D. Mervine	Lock Haven, Pa.	55	7	12.8	301.
1905	Joseph A. Biello	Philadelphia	72	6	8.4	53.35
1906	F. F. Borzell	Philadelphia	89	13	14.6	225.
1907	Clarence D. Smith	Philadelphia	52	4	7.9	90.
1908	Marshall C. Rumbaugh, Frank M. Phifer	Kingston	81	12	14.8	1,699.
1909	Harold L. Foss	Danville	71	10	14.2	360.
1910	James R. Martin, John S. C. Fielden	Philadelphia	81	7	8.6	590.
1911	Erwin D. Funk	Reading, Pa.	66	0		
1912	Robert M. Lukens	Philadelphia	91	7	7.7	495.
1913	Theo. W. O'Brien, John B. L. Flick, John E. Livingood	Havertown, Pa.	68	18	26.4	335.
1914	Roy Deck	Reading, Pa.				
1915	Harold S. Davidson	Lancaster, Pa.	100	13	13.0	790.
1916	J. Allan Bertolet, Lee W. Hughes	Atlantic City, N. J.	97	9	9.1	190.
1917	Harold W. Jones, B. L. Keyes, A. Walkling	Philadelphia	111			
1918	Reynold S. Griffith	Philadelphia	105	14	13.3	515.
1919	Burgess L. Gordon	Philadelphia	78	12	15.3	295.
1920	Thaddeus L. Montgomery	Philadelphia	108	24	13.0	1,115.
1921	Roy W. Mohler	Philadelphia	133	6	4.5	661.42
1922	Austin T. Smith	Philadelphia	95	4	4.2	195.
1923	Benjamin F. Haskell, Geo. J. Willauer	Philadelphia	69	13	18.9	1,045.
1924	Abraham Cantarow	Philadelphia	123	5	4.0	155.
1925	Charles Lintgen	Philadelphia	118	28	23.7	1,655.
1926	Vincent T. McDermott	Philadelphia	119	2	1.7	1,030.
1927	James E. Bowman	Camden, N. J.	123	17	14.6	1,845.
1928	Guy M. Nelson	Philadelphia	125	19	15.4	725.
1929	Mario A. Castallo	Philadelphia	135	28	20.8	1,410.
1930	Edward J. Gough	Philadelphia	129	13	10.1	520.
1931	Charles D. Driscoll	Ardmore, Pa.	134	13	9.9	290.
1932	John C. Ullery	Collingswood, N. J.	131	18	13.7	1,460.
1933	Charles W. Semisch, III	Philadelphia	135	27	20.0	1,093.
1934	Louis K. Collins	Philadelphia	132	2	1.6	60.
1935	Joseph L. Finn	Glassboro, N. J.	137	44	32.1	1,257.
1936	Leonard W. Parkhurst	Philadelphia	134	32	23.8	1,115.
1937	Robert C. McElroy	Philadelphia	130	9	6.9	172.
1938	Alison H. Price, John J. DeTuerk	Philadelphia	130	21	16.3	552.
1939	Paul A. Kennedy	Philadelphia	129	1	.7	25.
1940	Wayne P. Hanson	Buffalo, N. Y.	116	16	13.8	336.
1941	John J. Gill	Long Beach, Cal.	121	2	1.7	31.
1942	J. Wallace Davis	New York, N. Y.	113	5	4.4	103.
1943	Gerald E. Callery	Philadelphia	127	2	1.7	55.
1944 Jan.	Edward J. Murphy	Philadelphia	138	14	10.2	260.
1944 Sept.	T. Frederick Weiland	Philadelphia	132	14	10.6	185.
1945	James H. Lee, Jr.	Philadelphia	135	2	1.5	27.
1946	John L. McCormick, Jr.	Chelsea, Mass.	153	55	36.0	515.
1947	Gerald Dodd	Philadelphia	154	39	25.4	271.
1948	Oscar M. Weaver, Jr.	Philadelphia	146	1	.6	50.
1949	Peter L. Eichman	Philadelphia	152	4	2.7	146.
1950	David J. Lieberman	Philadelphia	149	0		0.
Non-Grad	George Allen Bennett	Philadelphia	153	26	17.0	140.
Graduates	Without Recorded Address		160	47	29.4	2,277.84
			106			
Total			6,092	736	12.2	27,408.61

THE THIRD ROLL CALL

LOUIS H. CLERF, *Chairman*

With the Third Roll Call having been under way only since the middle of November, returns are beginning to come in volume now at the end of the month.

To November 30th there have been 736 contributions made totalling \$27,351.61. This, of course, is only the start, but there is a good indication in the fact that gifts average approximately ten percent more than the same ones did last year. It will be necessary to maintain such a level to succeed, for the committee has set an objective of securing a 10% increase on the total of \$115,000 contributed last year.

The number of gifts is slightly behind last year at this time, but this partly reflects the fact that the faculty solicitation was conducted early and separately a year ago.

Actually our efforts must be renewed and our responses further increased if we are to meet the goal, for there may be some losses to offset later. The College definitely needs the increase to continue to advance. Even though the world situation is highly disturbing, it behooves us to help our Alma Mater maintain both her independence and her prestige.

America's most outstanding universities and colleges have relied on the substantial support of their alumni in similar fund efforts for decades. Over \$6,000,000 was contributed by alumni for current expenses of 166 leading educational institutions last year. Some of the leading schools include Princeton, Dartmouth, Yale, Harvard, Cornell, Stanford, M. I. T., California, Chicago, Johns Hopkins, Northwestern. In relation to size, only Princeton exceeds Jefferson; Dartmouth matches Jefferson in the amounts contributed. No medical school approaches Jefferson. We hope that will be a continuing reason for Jefferson's leadership as a medical college.

So that the purposes of the Alumni Fund are clearly understood, I would restate that the funds are used *exclusively for the College (not the Hospital)* and last year were assigned entirely to the support of *pre-clinical* teaching salaries. The reports on each of these pre-clinical departments, appearing from time to time in these pages, attest the present excellence. Graduates may take pride in their participation in Jefferson today.

Leading classes now are:

Amount

1st —Non-grad—George A. Bennett	\$2,277
2nd—1926 —Vincent T. McDermott	\$1,845
3rd—1908 —M. C. Rumbaugh, F. M. Phiher ..	\$1,699

Percent (over 10 members)

1st —1894 —Col. Frederick H. Mills	50.0%
2nd—1892 —Joseph H. Cloud	36.4%
3rd—1945 —James H. Lee, Jr.	36.0%

Number

1st —1945 —James H. Lee, Jr.	55
2nd—Non-grad—George A. Bennett	47
3rd—1934 —Louis K. Collins	44

TAX DEDUCTION FOR ALUMNI

FUND GIFTS

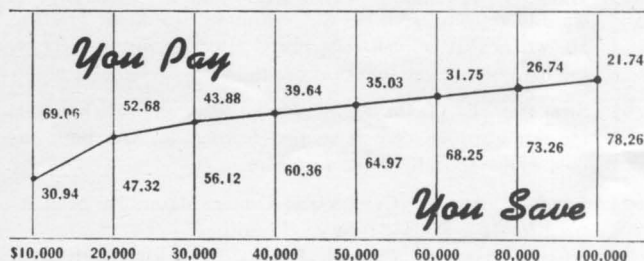
Gifts made to the Alumni Fund or Jefferson are, of course, deductible in computing federal income taxes — up to the limit of 15% for such philanthropic purposes.

There is little need to mention that present tax rates on individuals are higher and apply to Oct. 1-Dec. 31 of 1950 and will apply to all of 1951. It is recognized that, in most instances, this may leave a smaller remainder of income from which a gift to the Alumni Annual Fund may be made.

But, on the other hand, tax savings are greater than before in gifts made to Jefferson. Savings in taxes are greater than many individuals realize.

The following chart illustrates the tax savings and the net percentage cost per gift by individuals in different income groups. It shows the tax savings and net cost of gifts less than 15% of the individual's income. Tax savings to individuals with incomes under \$5,000 range from 17.4% to 23.7% in 1950 and from 20% to 26% in 1951.

PERCENTAGE OF SAVINGS — 1950 TAX RATES*



An increase of approximately 10% in savings will be effected under 1951 tax rates.

*Figures from American Hospital Association Booklet, based on incomes of single persons with no dependents.

ALUMNI PLACEMENT BUREAU

The Alumni Placement Bureau has been in operation for less than a year, and during this time some of our alumni have availed themselves of this service. This service is being continued for the benefit of the alumni, and it is hoped that many more will find it helpful. In order to continue its usefulness we ask that our alumni send us information regarding practice, vacancies, or positions available as these come to their attention. Also if any alumnus desires a change of location or becomes qualified in a specialty and would like to practice in a different locality, we would like to bring these facts before our general alumni through periodic publication in the Bulletin.



Edmund B. Montgomery, M.D., 1878, Quincy, Ill., participated in the Adams County (Illinois) Medical Society's 100 year celebration. The celebration lasted four days and included a historical pageant, with a cast of 400 dramatizing a century of medical progress. Among the free services offered their guests were: chest x-rays, dental x-rays, blood pressure readings, audiometer tests and sight tests.

CLASS NEWS

- 1889 HARRY L. WALKER, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is looking forward to retiring from his ear, eye, nose and throat practice. He writes that he well remembers polishing his trousers on the hard benches at Jefferson.
- 1893 SHERIDAN E. GARDINER of Mount Pleasant, Michigan is most industrious. We have just learned that he built his own home and all of the furniture in it.
- 1894 LEWIS K. AUSTIN, Cumberland Center, Maine, has been retired for 10 years. He is in good health.
JOHN J. BARCLAY, Grinnell, Kansas, is enjoying fairly good health and has an active interest in current events.
CHARLES P. ROBBINS, Winona, Minn., had a fall last June which required a fitting to a steel brace. However, he is able to do practically everything "except square dancing," and still has a consultation and reception room in his home.
- 1895 JOHN W. WOOD, Mt. Gilead, O., says "I am just 80 and have retired from practice. I spend winters in Florida. Have been around the world once and The Holy Land twice."
- 1896 FRANK I. PATTERSON, Washington, Pa., does very little work. He has many nice memories of Jefferson.
- 1898 CHARLES W. JACOBY started practice in Marion County, Ohio. He was one of the eight doctors who received a certificate of distinction for having practiced fifty-three years. He would like to retire, "but they won't let me."
- 1901 ERNEST W. DIGGETT, Sheffield, England, writes that he is very interested in all the literature he receives from "old Jefferson" and should like to talk over old times.
HENRY L. BASSETT, Yardley, Pa., is cutting down on his work, leaving night calls and maternity work to younger men.
JAMES B. ELLIS, Okolona, Miss., has retired from practice because of ill health. He has started his son in the cattle business.
SAMUEL M. FREEDMAN, Dallas, Texas, considers himself "semi-retired." Does a lot of travelling and playing.

SIDNEY H. POST, Volga, W. Va., is retired and running a big farm and horse raising ranch. He travels a great deal, mostly by plane.

EDWIN STEINER, Newark, N. J., is looking forward to a reunion.

- 1908 HENRY L. MECKSTROTH, Mansfield, O., writes that time has mellowed his enthusiasm and age sobered his ambition. He enjoys visiting his cousin Ferdinand F. Fledderjohann, '03, and smoking cigars with him.
- 1909 HAROLD L. FOSS, Danville, Pa., was elected to the Board of Regents of the American College of Surgeons.
MAJ. GEN. MALCOLM CUMMINGS GROW, U.S.A.F. (Ret.), Washington, D. C., received the Gorgas Medal at the annual dinner of the Association of Military Surgeons of the U.S. which was held at the Hotel Statler, New York on November 10th. General Grow was the eighth recipient of the medal which is given to a physician who has distinguished himself by his contributions to military medicine.
- 1913 ROBERT L. ALLEN, El Paso, Texas, retired from the U. S. Public Health Service, November 1, 1948.
- 1914 DAVID B. ALLMAN retired from his practice at 104 St. Charles Place, Atlantic City, N. J., on November 10th, thirty-five years after opening at that address on the same date. We hope his retirement will be a happy one and that he will enjoy the time to devote to his many interests.
- 1928 HAROLD L. STRAUSS was inducted as a fellow in the American College of Surgeons. He specializes in ophthalmology and otolaryngology in Reading, Pa.
- 1932 ALFRED G. GILLIS, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has been appointed chief surgeon at the new Veterans Administration Hospital at Wilkes-Barre.
- 1940 PAUL A. HANLON, Hazleton, Pa., was made a diplomat of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He is serving as acting chief of obstetrics at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.
JAMES P. SCANLON, Washington, D. C., was married on Thanksgiving Day to Miss Katherine Ellen Dillon. Dr. Scanlon is associated with the Georgetown University Medical Center at the present time.
- 1942 THOMAS G. DINEEN, of Lansdowne, Pa., was recently certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine.
WILLIS E. MANGES, Phila., Pa., is associated with the Department of Radiology at the Methodist Hospital.
- J-44 JOHN R. HOSKINS, III, of Asheville, N. C., was married to Miss Martha Thomas Lytle on September 16th in Asheville. Dr. and Mrs. Hoskins make their home at 36 Evelyn Place, Asheville, N. C.
- S-44 MELVIN L. BERNSTINE, Bala, Pa., and Miss Gloria Ethel Roth were married on September 30th. Dr. Bernstine has been appointed director of anesthesia at the Jewish Hospital of Philadelphia.
- 1945 CHARLES W. WERLEY, Phila., Pa., and Miss Elizabeth Wood were married on December 8th at Pawtucket, R. I.
- 1948 RICHARD L. HUBER, Scranton, Pa., has been recalled to active duty by the United States Naval Reserve. He reported to San Antonio, Texas.
JAMES B. LOFTUS, Olyphant, Pa., has been called to active duty with the Air Force as a second lieutenant. He is assigned to Mitchell Field, N. Y.
- 1949 SCOTT J. BOLEY, Jamaica, L. I., and Miss Sandra Nathan have announced their engagement.
HAROLD L. STRAUSS, JR., is a resident in ophthalmology at St. Joseph's Hospital, Reading, Pa.
JOSEPH M. C. VALLOTI has opened his offices in Chester, Pa.



June 8, 1950, Class of 1920, held their 30th class reunion at Dr. Scheffey's home in Merion, Pa. We hope that all classes this year will have as good a representation during their reunion in 1951.

JEFFERSON SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL INVESTIGATION

The twenty-fourth Annual Dinner of the Jefferson Society for Clinical Investigation was held on the 26th of October, 1950, at the Barclay Hotel. Dr. Julius H. Comroe, Jr., Professor of Physiology and Pharmacology, Graduate School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, was the guest speaker. The title of the talk was "Observations on Clinical Investigation."

The meeting was attended by 67 active and emeritus members.

The Thomas McCrae Award was presented to Dr. Frederick B. Wagner, Jr., for his paper entitled "Surgical Aspects of Meckel's Diverticulum." The Augustus A. Eshner Award was presented to Dr. John H. Hodges for his paper entitled "The Effect of Racial Mixtures on Erythrocytic Sickling."

Dr. Robert B. Nye assumed the Presidency of the Society for the forthcoming scholastic year. Other officers for the year are Dr. Kenneth E. Fry, Vice-President; Dr. Frederick B. Wagner, Secretary; and Dr. Joseph P. Long, Treasurer. Dr. Warren R. Lang is chairman of the program committee.

MID-WINTER SMOKER TO BE

HELD DURING POST-GRADUATE COURSE

The plans have been completed and programs mailed for the Post-Graduate Instruction Courses, January 24, 25 and 26, 1951.

The Entertainment Committee has arranged to have the Mid-Winter Smoker and Annual Business Meeting on January 25th in the Burgundy Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

QUESTIONNAIRES

If you have not already done so, will you please be good enough to fill in and return your questionnaire to the Alumni Office. We are most anxious to have your correct address so that we can keep you informed on what is going on at Jefferson.

We
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tried dur-
ing the past
year to make
the Bulletin a
message that would
carry interest to the
general alumni. We ap-
preciate all the suggestions
we have received from you and
thank you for them, and take this
opportunity to wish you and yours
a very Merry Christmas. This year par-
ticularly our thoughts turn to "Peace on
Earth, Good Will Toward Men." We know
that our loyal alumni all over the world will
make every effort to protect our freedom. May
your New Year be a joyous one. Know that our
thoughts and prayers are always with you wherever you are.

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